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- ☒ 21 page(s) of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 14 sheet(s) of ☒ formal ☐ informal drawings
- ☒ Declaration & Power of Attorney
- ☒ Claim of Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119
- ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-103445
- ☒ An assignment conveying title in instant application to **KOKUYO CO., LTD.**, with PTO Form 1595.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
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